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Subject: RE: Polymet 401 Cert

Hi Melanie,

The application for the 401 Certification was withdrawn by a 12/3/14 request from Polymet . This was done because Polymet did not want a denial from the MPCA as part of the public record. The MPCA, in order to keep 401 jurisdiction, is required to deny any project that cannot be completed within one year. The MPCA is also bound by state law that requires every state agency to wait until the completion of the EAW/EIS process before any permit or certification can be issued.

At this point we are waiting for Polymet to re-apply for the 404/401 permit.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Thx, Jim

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From: Burdick, Melanie [mailto:Burdick.Melanie@epa.gov]
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Mr. Brist,

I noticed in the Second Quarter Mining Report that a current action is 401 Certification discussions in parallel with 404 permit preparation.

Can you provide me any details regarding the timing of the 401 certification?

I'm interested because some of our timelines are interconnected. I would also be interested in participating in some of those discussions if possible.

I just spoke with Doug Bruner about the status of the 404 permit, and I let him know of EPA's interest.

Thank you , and feel free to call if you have any questions

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